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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFO ON UTILIZATION TOBACCO WASTES

1. AMCIT ADVISER UNDP (A CHEMICAL ENGINEER) HAS ASKED US PASS ON REQUEST FOR INFO CONCERNING UTILIZATION TOBACCO WASTES IN MANUFACTURE INSECTICIDES OR OTHER PRODUCTS. AS INFO REQUESTED MAY PRODUCE SALES OPPORTUNITY FOR U.S. BUSINESS, EMBASSY AGREED.

2. CHINESE-BUILT, STATE-OWNED CIGARETTE FACTORY PROCESSES TOBACCO IMPORTED FROM TANZANIA AND PRC AND SOME LOCALLY GROWN LEAF AS WELL. LEAF IS SHREDDED AND TREATED WITH BROWN SUGAR. PROCESS PRODUCES ABOUT 10 TONS ANNUALLY TOBACCO WASTE IN FORM OF FINE POWDER HIGH IN NICOTINE CONTENT. POWDER PRESENTLY DUMPED INTO SEA.

3. VISTING UNIDO MISSION LAST YEAR SUGGESTED NICOTINE IN POWDER COULD BE USED AS ACTIVE INGREDIENT IN INSECTICIDES REPORTEDLY VERY EFFECTIVE AGAINST APHIDS. NICOTINE SULFATE ALSO A POSSIBILITY.

4. INFO ON FOLLOWING POINTS REQUESTED:

A. WHAT IS PRACTICE IN US RE: HANDLING OF WASTES? CAN NICOTINE BE RECOVERED?

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B. CAN TOBACCO WASTES THEMSELVES (IN POWDER OR EXTRACT FORM)
BE USED DIRECTLY ON PLANTS AND , IF SO, ON WHAT PLANTS AND AGAINST
WHICH INSECT(S)?

C. WHAT SPECIAL FORMULAE ARE NEEDED AND WHAT CARRIER OR INSERT
INGREDIENTS ARE NEEDED?

D. NAMES OF FIRMS OR ASSOCIATIONS ACTIVE THIS FIELD.

E. NAMES OF FIRMS THAT CAN OFFER TECHNOLOGY OR EQUIPMENT.
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